



State of California
BUSINESS, CONSUMER SERVICES AND HOUSING AGENCY



CALIFORNIA

HOMELESS COORDINATING AND FINANCING COUNCIL

HCFC STATEWIDE STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN

- The Council initiated a collaborative process to develop a statewide action plan that focuses on prioritizing resources to efficiently and effectively address the homelessness crisis in California.
- The plan will focus on how the state should prioritize its resources to efficiently and effectively decrease homelessness throughout the state.
- In January 2019, an invitation to researchers, advocates, providers, and other stakeholders in the field to respond with recommendations of evidence-based best practices to address homelessness.
- HCFC is in the process of reviewing the submissions and developing a draft.
- HCFC is in the process of scheduling workshops to engage stakeholders, including those with lived experience.

PROGRAMS AND PARTNERSHIPS

- Implement \$500 million one-time block grant, Homeless Emergency Aid Program (**HEAP**)
- Implement SB 918-Homeless Youth Act
- Implement \$650 million one-time block grant, Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program (**HHAP**)
- Create and manage successful partnerships
- Provide opportunities for peer-to-peer learning and joint technical assistance with other state entities for local jurisdiction and providers

HEAP

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| Program Overview | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$500 million one-time block grant • Intended to provide localities with funding to address their immediate homelessness challenges |
| Eligible Applicants | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 43 Continuums of Care • 11 Largest Cities, with populations of 330,000 or more (as of January 2018) |
| Key Elements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required a crisis shelter declaration to be a direct recipient of HEAP funds • Required a demonstration of collaboration • Mandated that at least 5% of the allocation MUST be used to establish or expand programs to meet the needs of youth experiencing homelessness • Eligible applicants to determine how to expend funds • Eligible uses must align with Housing First Policy • 50% obligated by January 1, 2020, 100% fully expended by June 30, 2021 • 100% of funds were disbursed within 60 days of a completed application |
| Lessons Learned | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Streamlined application and disbursement processes • Technical Assistance was critical (Office Hours, 1:1, workshops, roundtables) • Local government liaison dedicated to supporting collaboration, partnership, and alignment of resources |

HHAP

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| Program Overview | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$650 million one-time block grant • Provides local jurisdictions with funds to support regional coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address their immediate homelessness challenges |
| Eligible Applicants | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 44 Continuums of Care • 13 Largest Cities, with populations of 300,000 or more (as of January 2019) • 58 Counties |
| Funding Allocations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 190 million – Continuums of Care • 275 million – Large Cities • 175 million – Counties • Allocations are based on each CoCs proportionate share of the state's total homeless population based on the 2019 homeless point-in time count (PIT). • Eligible uses to be further defined in the HHAP program guidance |
| Key Elements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires a demonstration of regional coordination • Mandate that at least 8% of the allocation MUST be used to establish or expand programs to meet the needs of youth experiencing homelessness • Does not require a crisis shelter declaration to be a direct recipient of HEAP funds |

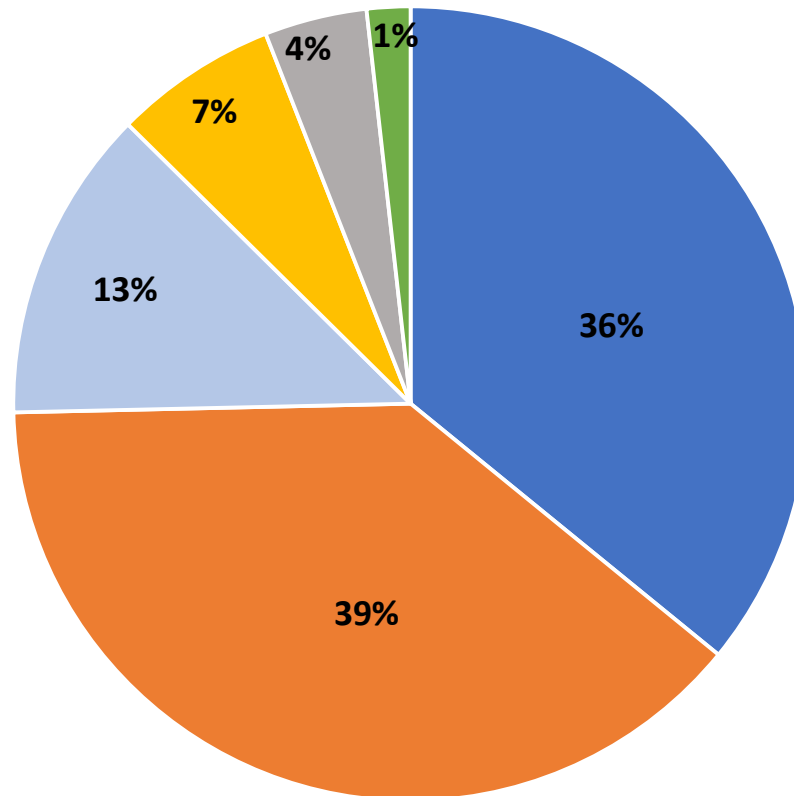
HHAP IMPORTANT DATES

| HHAP TIMELINE | |
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| Program Guidance | To Be Determined |
| Application Map | To Be Determined |
| NOFA Release and On-line application portal open | To Be Determined **pending release of 2019 PIT County by HUD** |
| Final date to submit applications | February 15, 2020 |
| Final date to award funds | April 1, 2020 |
| No less than 50% of funds shall be obligated by Awardees | May 31, 2021 |
| Funds shall be fully liquidated | June 30, 2025 |

STATEWIDE HEAP EXPENDITURES

Statewide

- Capital Improvements
- Rental Assistance/Subsidies
- Services
- Homeless Youth Set-Aside
- Administrative
- Other



EVIDENCE-BASED BEST PRACTICES

- HEAP funding allowed for jurisdictions to have flexibility to use funds to meet their emergency needs.
- HHAP funding expands the HEAP funding and focuses on evidence-based best practices, regional coordination, and services specific to the needs of youth.
 - Prevention and diversion
 - Rapid rehousing
 - Landlord incentive programs
 - Outreach and coordination
 - Systems support for activities necessary to create regional partnerships and maintain a homeless services and housing delivery system



California State Homelessness Funding Programs



https://www.bcsb.ca.gov/hcfc/documents/heap_funding_matrix.pdf



State Resources to Address California's Homeless Crisis



https://www.bcsb.ca.gov/hcfc/documents/heap_funding_resources.pdf

Contact Information

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